

REMARKS

Claims 15-24 and Claims 26-29 are indicated as allowed by the above referenced Office Action. Dependent Claim 3 is indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Claim 1 is amended to include the limitations of the allowable dependent Claim 3. Claim 3 is cancelled without prejudice. Dependent Claims 2 and 4-13 are now allowable over the cited art. All remaining claims should now be in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application. Please charge any additional fees or apply any credits to our PTO deposit account number: 23-0085.

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Respectfully submitted,
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